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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: UNESCO: MASS MEDIA DECLARATION

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1. DURING RECENT MEETING WITH AMB. TORRES, FRG PERM REP FABRICIUS REPORTED THAT EC-9 HAD UNANIMOUSLY OPPOSED NEW MEDIA DRAFT DECLARATION AT MEETING OF NINE IN BONN ON AUG 30 (REFTEL). FABRICIUS SAID THAT THERE WAS LITTLE DETAILED DISCUSSION OF TEXT, BUT THAT IT WAS DECIDED UNESCO REPS OF NINE SHOULD MEET IN PARIS ALONG WITH NATIONAL MEDIA EXPERTS, PERHAPS DURING WEEK OF SEPT. 11-15. FABRICIUS FURTHERMORE EXTENDED INVITATION TO AN AMERICAN EXPERT IF ONE AVAILABLE ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE.

2. PERM DEL HAS ALSO BEEN CONTACTED BY LONDON SUNDAY TIMES REPORTER, ROSEMARY RIGHTER, WHO IS PREPARING A STUDY ON CURRENT MEDIA PROBLEMS INCLUDING UNESCO INVOLVEMENT. HER DETAILED ANALYSIS OF AUG. 21 TEXT CONFIDENTIAL

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SUGGESTS THAT POLISH PROPOSALS WHICH WERE NOT INCLUDED IN DEC. 20 TEXT HAVE FOUND THEIR WAY INTO AUG. 21 DRAFT. IF POLISH PERM DEL'S CONTENTION IS TRUE THAT MS. PASTECKA (POLISH REP. WHO MET WITH TEAM THAT PREPARED DEC. 20 TEXT) HAS HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH LATEST DRAFT, THEN MOST RECENT ADVISORS TO DG ON AUG. 21 TEXT THEMSELVES TOOK UP EAST BLOC CUDGELS, OR A NEW REPRESENTA-

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TIVE PARTICIPATED ON THEIR BEHALF. (RUMORS THAT ECHEVERRIA AND NORDENSTRENG ADVISED DG ON LATEST DRAFT ARE PLAUSIBLE, BUT UNCONFIRMED.) IN ANY EVENT, POLISH DEL OFF CONFIDED THAT PASTECKA WAS SATISFIED WITH DEC. 20 TEXT AS IT WAS.

3. DURING CONVERSATION WITH RIGHTER, US DEL OFF SUGGESTED POSSIBILITY THAT AUTHORS OF AUG 21 TEXT LOOKING FOR A SUITABLE MEDIA DECLARATION WHICH LDC'S COULD PROFITABLY REFER BACK TO ONCE WARC GETS UNDER-WAY IN 1979. DEPT. SHOULD BE AWARE THAT RIGHTER AGREED WITH THIS PROPOSITION, AND INDICATED THAT THIS "LINKAGE" MAY BEGIN TO APPEAR IN PRESS WHEN UNESCO AND MEDIA DECLARATION ARE BEING DISCUSSED.
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